# NORTH CAROLINA CRIMINAL JUSTICE INFORMATION NETWORK (CJIN) GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

# THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2004 9:00 AM

VANCE-GRANVILLE COMMUNITY COLLEGE SEMINAR ROOM CIVIC CENTER (BUILDING 9) HENDERSON, NORTH CAROLINA

#### CJIN Governing Board Members

Glen Allen Richard Little Tommy Allen Richard NiFong \* Lewis Blanton \* Dwayne Patterson Bryan Beatty \* Thomas Payne \* Larry Smith \* Robert Brinson Joseph Buckner \* Robert Rader Martin Chriscoe \* George Tatum \* J. B. Evans \* Norris Tolson \* Rex Gore \* Larry Ware \* Chip Hight Ken Wiseman

Note: \* Denotes member absent

# CJIN Executive Director

Carol Morin

#### Others Present

Lars Nance	Joey Gardner	Larry Wilkie	Woody Sandy
Andrew Curd	Holt Watts	Larry Dix	Nancy Lowe
Rick Smith	Doug Yearwood	Navin Puri	Steve Cline
Larry Forrister	Ginger Helms	Brad Cranford	Denise Thomas

CJIN Chairman Robert Brinson called the North Carolina Criminal Justice Information Network (CJIN) Governing Board meeting to order at 9:20 AM. Mr. Brinson stated that District Attorney (DA) Rex Gore, Prosecutorial District 013, has been recently appointed to the Board and he is replacing DA John Carriker.

#### Approval of Minutes

This agenda item was deferred to the next meeting because a quorum was not present.

# CJIN Executive Director Report

Ms. Carol Morin stated that there had been several requests to post the actual presentations with a link from the minutes on the CJIN web site as an alternative to distributing the presentations via e-mail attachments. Ms. Morin has discussed this request with the Department of Justice, the agency who hosts the CJIN web site, and they were agreeable to this change. Ms. Morin said she would start doing this with the November 20, 2003 minutes and she asked everyone to provide feedback. Ms. Morin then presented the handout titled "CJIN Planning Project Financials" dated February 5, 2004 and highlighted the current status of each planning project. Mr. Brinson asked Ms. Morin to schedule Extensible Markup Language (XML) as a future agenda item and to include the three CJIN pilots that were funded by the National Governors Association.

#### NC Juvenile Online Information Network (NC-JOIN)

Ms. Nancy Lowe gave an update on the NC-JOIN project titled "NC-JOIN Update (Department of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention) CJIN meeting 2-5-04". Ms. Lowe stated that the DJJDP had an organizational change and the Information Technology (IT) administration has been moved under Mr. Larry Dix. Ms. Lowe stated that she still works closely with Mr. Dwayne Patterson though. Ms. Lowe said that it didn't make good business sense to do the Phase 3 pilot like previous phases and they were going to do the essential users first. Phase 3 incorporates data from the Youth Development Centers (YDCs) and Detention Centers. When Phase 3 is fully rolled out to the field in April 2004, NC-JOIN will be a fully integrated information system for DJJDP. Phase 4, to be completed in 2004-2005 if funding is available, will add the remaining functionality for YDCs and Detention Centers. Ms. Lowe said she recently heard at a national conference that North Carolina would be one of the first states to have a fully integrated juvenile justice data collection system on the web. Mr. Brinson asked Ms. Lowe what were some of the other leading states doing. Ms. Lowe responded that she didn't know but many other states have their juvenile justice incorporated with adult correction. Chief Glen Allen asked Ms. Lowe how she intended to network in the Juvenile Crime Prevention Councils (JCPC). Ms. Lowe reviewed several options for the JCPCs. Ms. Lowe stated that the General Assembly Fiscal Analysts have a need for JCPC information and DJJDP will work on refining some outcome measures. Mr. Brinson asked Ms. Lowe if she thought that NC-JOIN was making good progress and Ms. Lowe responded yes. (View Presentation)

# An Update on Voice Interoperability Plan for Emergency Responders (VIPER)

Captain Woody Sandy gave an update on the VIPER project. Capt. Sandy said they were finalizing the tactical portion of the VIPER plan and working hard on the strategic plan. Capt. Sandy described the process of how they were determining if an existing tower site could be reused for the VIPER Strategic project. Capt. Sandy said it would help tremendously if they could get the land to build new towers at minimum or \$0 cost in areas where no existing tower is available. Once the tactical solution is awarded and transferred to the State Highway Patrol's (SHP) Communications and Logistic Section, the VIPER team will be dedicated solely to the strategic plan. Capt. Sandy stated that the CJIN Voice Trunked Network Subcommittee has met on January 29, 2004 and he was trying his best to keep all of the stakeholders informed. Sheriff Tommy Allen asked if there would be one VIPER tower per county. Capt. Sandy said there were 211 planned towers and their location depended on factors like geography and the height of the tower. Mr. Brinson asked why the tactical solution couldn't be expanded to be the strategic solution. Captain Sandy explained that the tactical solution was merely interconnecting existing systems that are aging/have aged out and the strategic solution is actually replacing and building a statewide solution.

#### Evaluation of Mobile Data Computers in Law Enforcement Vehicles

Mr. Doug Yearwood, Director of the Governor's Crime Commission's (GCC) North Carolina Criminal Justice Analysis Center, presented survey findings on the evaluation of mobile data computers in law enforcement vehicles. Mr. Yearwood thanked Capt. Sandy for helping to create the survey questions. Sheriff Allen asked if specific standards for the Mobile Data Computer (MDC) existed. Some of the Board members cited the type of devices they presently have and it was recommended that Sheriff Allen call someone on Capt. Sandy's staff if he needed further assistance. Mr. Richard Little asked to have a presentation on the Statewide Automated Victim Assistance & Notification (SAVAN) project as a future agenda item. There was some discussion on the \$6/month/device DCI fee. Mr. Brinson stated that the legislature has commissioned a study on legacy systems and he was curious when we would see the "son of mobile data". Capt. Sandy responded that technology and available radio spectrum would most likely keep mobile data the way it is for several more years until 700 MHz broadband spectrum is available to public safety. (View Presentation)

#### CJIN General Assembly April 2004 Report Content

Mr. Brinson and Ms. Morin lead the discussion for the CJIN General Assembly annual report that is due on April 1, 2004. Mr. Brinson stated that at the end of this agenda item, the Board needed to define the project funding priorities and special provisions. Mr. Brinson said the Board would have an opportunity at the March 11, 2004 meeting to comment on the report and approve it for formal submission. Ms. Morin said that she has secured a technical writer

for the next five weeks. Ms. Morin then presented the "Summary of CJIN Priorities As Cited in the General Assembly Annual Report" and the "Summary of CJIN Special Provision / Legislative Requests As Cited in the General Assembly Annual Report". There was subsequent discussion about potential charts and graphs that could be included in this year's report. There was also discussion on how CJIN could improve its public awareness strategy to legislators and to consider creating a legislative subcommittee.

Capt. Sandy asked CJIN to consider appointments from a federal criminal justice agency and possibly an Indian tribal representative. This generated further discussion on Board member attendance and the possibility of asking for a statute change to allow a high level executive to act in their ex-officio capacity as a member with full voting rights. Special Deputy Attorney General Lars Nance cautioned the Board not to get any larger in size because that would not address the issue of meeting quorum issue. Special Deputy Attorney General Lars Nance encouraged CJIN to start notifying the appointing bodies of poor attendance. Mr. Brinson asked Ms. Morin to pursue the option of revising existing Board appointments instead of adding new appointments.

When the Board discussed funding priorities, there was general agreement to have two categories: critical funding and then projects which CJIN would still 'endorse' even though they do not appear on the critical funding list. CJIN staffing, Statewide Automated Fingerprint Identification System (SAFIS) refresh, Statewide Warrant Repository (NCAWARE), and recurring funding were recommended projects for the critical funding list. Some examples of projects cited that needed recurring funds were eCitation and CJIN Mobile Data Network. NC-JOIN and VIPER were recommended projects for the 'endorsed' project list. Ms. Denise Thomas strongly encouraged CJIN to propose ways to fund the projects besides using State appropriations.

#### **Automated Judgment Abstract**

Mr. Brad Cranford presented the "CJIN Board Meeting Overview of Civil Judgment Abstracting Administrative Office of the Courts Technology Services Division". Mr. Cranford stated that the timeline for deploying the remaining 98 counties was 15 months. (View Presentation)

# NC Public Health Information Network (NC-PHIN)

Dr. Steven Cline, Chief of the Epidemiology Section in the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), presented the "NC-PHIN Update". Dr. Cline said he would send the 'white powder protocol' paper to Ms. Morin so she could distribute it to Board members. Lt. Ken Wiseman stated that he was unsure when he needed to call a public health official. Dr. Cline reviewed some example scenarios. Mr. Brinson asked how NC-PHIN would manage growth and Mr. Larry Forrister responded that the system was scalable. (View Presentation)

# Other New Business

There was none. The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 PM.